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PRES. TAFT TO BE HERE NEXT JUNE

VARSITY LOST TO HOBART

Single Touchdown Defeats Team—
Scrappy Game Before Big Crowd
—Bayliss Star of Contest.

In a heartrending struggle, the result of which was not made certain until the referee's whistle had blown for the last time the Hamilton Varsity went down to defeat at the hands of Hobart Saturday by a score of 6-0.

Neither team succeeded in scoring during the first or second quarters, but at the beginning of the third period Hobart, kicking off, secured the ball on a fumble and by a series of rushes carried it across the goal line. Hamilton's attempts to score during the remainder of the game proved futile.

A more ideal day for football could not have been desired. The air was clear and keen, while a bright sun cheered the bleachers. At 2:30 the crowd which had gathered to watch the start of the cross-country race against Colgate began making its way toward Steuben Field. Every trolley from Utica brought a string of visitors while automobiles from that city and Rome formed in line on both sides of the field. At 2:45 the cheering section began work, the "long yell" booming out on the field, to be followed a moment later by a complimentary cheer from the Colgate track contingent.

The entire field presented a pleasing picture with the clear blue sky above and the stands dotted here and there with groups of pretty girls. The number of Alumni present was noticeable, and none seemed in happier mood than members of the Board of Trustees who had completed their session at noon.

The game was disappointing, not so much because of weakness in our playing as of the unexpected strength of Hobart. While Syracuse had beaten Hobart two weeks earlier only by a supreme effort, Colgate, the Saturday before, ran up 31 points on Ho-

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SOPHOMORES BURN TROTS

Prof. Chase et 1914 Contra Equos—
No More Tacitus Translations.
Shorter Lesson Scheme.

To the refrain of "Ach du lieber, ach du lieber, we've burned our trots," forty howling Sophomores last night put their Tacitus translations behind them and accepted the invitation of Prof. Chase, "ducum nex mundi nitu meta fumen at ait."

As the culmination of several days' discussion the Sophomore Latin Class conferred with Prof. Chase yesterday afternoon and entered into an agreement whereby the amount of daily translation is to be lessened on condition that each man refrains from the use of a "trot" or other illegal help. It is understood that for a time some liberality will be exercised toward the men and that no student who conscientiously spends the required amount of time on the work will be flunked.

Members of the class of 1914 were last night loud in their praise of Prof. Chase and the sentiment was voiced on all sides that the "square deal and better Latin work" will prevail.

It is understood that a similar proposition is to be submitted to the Freshmen.

1913 HAMILTONIAN.

The board of editors of the 1913 Hamiltonian held their first meeting last Wednesday, October 11. Their idea this year is to make the book a souvenir of the centennial, and, in view of the large centennial gathering which is expected in June, they hope that it will be widely distributed among Alumni. The Board of Editors for the publication are: George Lyon, Editor-in-Chief, Harold Cross, Manager; John Forrest, Art Editor; A. M. Groves, C. B. Wenigmann, E. H. Roberts, A. E. Blackmar, E. R. Lewis, Associate Editors.

—The Geology Class made a trip to Little Falls on Monday.

TO SPEAK AT CENTENNIAL

Trustees Hold Important Meeting—
D. U. to Build House on Campus—Plan Larger Reservoir.

William Howard Taft, President of the United States, will be present and deliver an address at the Centennial Commencement, June 17, 1912.

Such was the announcement made to the Board of Trustees Saturday morning by Hon. Elihu Root, representing the committee on Centennial.

At the same meeting a lease was presented and approved which permits the Delta Upsilon fraternity to erect a chapter house on the Campus, a contract was concluded with Mr. Dawes of Clinton for the construction of an additional reservoir to increase the water supply and it was announced that plans for a new drainage system were being prepared under the direction of Engineer Scripture.

The announcement that President Taft will speak at Commencement came as a surprise to the College, which, altho it presupposed the presence of a noted man, had little idea that Mr. Taft would accept any invitation which might be extended to him. Included in the Commencement program will be an historical address by Senator Root, a poem by Professor Clinton Scollard and an address by Vice-President Sherman. It is probable that an informal reception for President Taft and Vice-President Sherman will be held on the steps of Science Hall. The details of the event will be announced later.

An innovation for a Hamilton Commencement will occur on the Saturday evening preceding Commencement Day when the Campus will be illuminated and part of the time devoted to singing College songs, led by the Glee Club stationed on the steps of the Chapel.

The plans for the new Delta Upsilon house have been prepared by F. H. Gouge, '70, of Utica, who has designed a majority of the college build-

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VARSITY LOST TO HOBART.

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Hobart with seeming ease and we had hoped that the latter game was a truer indication of the strength of our opponents. But football is an uncertain game and a comparison of scores is often very misleading.

Hobart, according to the statement of one of their players, showed fifty per cent. better form against us than against Colgate. Their players were confident of a 12-0 victory and were correspondingly innervated. The 17-0 victory of last year was of great psychological advantage to Hobart's players, and had its effect on our players as well—adversely, of course.

But it was a fine game—one which pleased the experienced and immensely interested those less aware of the beauty of the finer points of the game.

The Hobart squad was the first on the field and their team soon settled down to the preliminary practice. A trifle heavier than our team in the line and considerably so in the backfield, owing to big Bayliss, the Hobart team exhibited much snap and polish in going through their signals, rather more than did our own team, which appeared shortly afterwards. Their snap showed confidence and their polished interference and concerted lunging proved that they had been well coached.

The big, fast fullback, Bayliss, Barker, Barrimore, Reg Wood—not so feared as his brother Don, but still we had hoped that his injury in the Colgate game would incapacitate him as to prevent his playing against us—Hodgkin, Van Ingen—all their last year's men were there and looking very fit; wherefore we felt dubious.

Hobart kicked off to F. LaForce. Hamilton lined up with a rush and was off with the old, old shoe-string before the Hobart defense had scarcely had opportunity to get in place; Wenigmann caught the pretty pass of Knox and ran thirty-five yards before he was downed. Again, without signals, Knox, on the triple pass, hurled the ball squarely to Don Root fifteen yards down the field and the latter made five yards more before he was thrown. And then—we like to think what might have happened, but—an end run and a line buck netted but five yards, a place-kick by D. Root was blocked, and it was Hobart's ball on their ten-yard line. Bayliss hastened to punt but the kick was blocked and it was again Hamilton's ball on their opponent's ten-yard line. A line-buck netted but little and Bayliss intercepted a well-planned forward pass and carried the ball to his own forty-five yard line—which

bit of fine playing silenced the jubilant Hamilton rooters abruptly. This magnificent start had effected nothing except to show that Hobart's defense was exceedingly stubborn.

For the remainder of the first quarter Hobart had possession of the ball most of the time and demonstrated a very effective offense, with Bayliss as the chief assailant. His powerful line plunging and wriggling, battering runs off tackle carried him time and again over five yards even after he seemingly had been quite stopped. Hobart advanced the ball to our fifteen yard line but was held for downs and Hamilton punted out of danger.

Hamilton had another chance to score in the second quarter. For a while the Hobart quarterback amused himself and the Hobart sympathizers by sending Bayliss crashing through our line time after time for gains averaging five yards, but finally Hamilton held and, on the third down, stopped the big fullback with a loss and it was our ball. Peters punted and again Bayliss started on his march. He did not go so far this time for Hamilton regained possession of the ball on its own forty yard line. A forward pass to Root gave us twenty-five yards; Root made a nice catch of the ball but confusedly ran toward the center of the field straight into the arms of the Hobart backs instead of staying close to the sidelines and so lost an excellent chance to score. From the thirty-five yard line Peters attempted to dropkick a goal from the field but the ball was blocked and recovered by Hobart. Eells made a fine tackle of Bassett after sifting through some good interference, but, in doing so, harmed our cause rather than aided it for Bassett was taken from the game and Wood substituted. Bassett had been making the huge mistake of depending too much on Bayliss, seemingly forgetful that he had two other very clever backs to use. As a matter of fact, Bayliss, worn out as he was and carefully watched by our line, could never have repeated his magnificent charging of the first and second quarters in the third when Hobart scored their touchdown. Wood knew this and used other plays to approach the goal; Bassett would not have so reserved his fullback for the final plunge.

Hobart's score was directly due to a fumble but indirectly to poor generalship. Hamilton had the privilege of kicking off at the beginning of the second half but chose rather to receive. No adequate reason can be given for this unfortunate choice; Hamilton was not gaining consistent-

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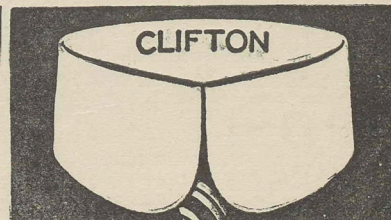
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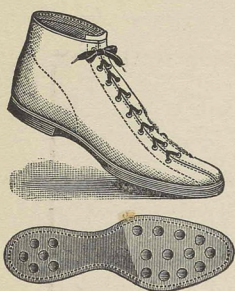


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EDITORIAL.

It is freely admitted that South College and Carnegie are as nearly fire-proof as modern building construction can make them. It is to be presumed that some danger of conflagration was feared for the reason that fire hose connections were made at two points on each floor. A quantity of hose was stored near Knox Hall and hydrants placed about the Campus. All of which leads to the query: Just what good is this apparatus if it can not be put into use when the fire breaks out?

The hose in the dormitories is kept in closets, the doors of which have been secured by Yale locks. The doors in a majority of cases are now locked. Just where the keys are located students do not know.

One year ago the past month a hydrant near the Gymnasium was put into use. At that time the combined efforts of two students equipped with

wrenches required thirty-five minutes in which to turn on the water. To the best of our knowledge that hydrant has not since been used. A fire in either the Gymnasium or North could gain considerable headway in thirty-five minutes.

No one anticipates a fire or has great fear of its probable consequences, but easier access to hose and water should be provided.

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For the first time in a period of years petty thieving has broken out in the College. In several instances sums of no inconsiderable value have been taken. Members of the Senior Class are at present investigating the matter in hope that the guilty person may be discovered and the annoyance stopped. For the present a single word of warning should suffice—don't keep money in your rooms.

PROSPECTS AT ROCHESTER.

Next Saturday the team will encounter Rochester at Rochester. From all accounts, the Yellow has as good a team as last year when Hamilton was defeated 5-2 in a bitter struggle. Although the Syracuse papers claim that the Orange, in defeating Rochester 6-5, played much more poorly than at any time this year, it is not denied that the Rochester team not only showed a stubborn defense but made several long gains and kept the Syracuse defense on the alert throughout the game.

Several veterans are still on the Rochester team. Long, Forsyth, and the clever right half back, Brown, whom we found so difficult to stop on long end runs and whose shifty dodging on cross-hunches was remarkably effective. Rochester, now famed for its varied and deceiving open plays, will undoubtedly rely on this system of attack; Hamilton, on the other hand, as it has not experienced much difficulty in piercing the open defense of the Yellow, in the past two years, will depend on straight football.

Because of delinquencies, Potter and Robinson will not be able to play nor will several of the more promising second-team men. Leavenworth, also, is apt to be incapable of playing as he will be obliged to give his injured ankle a good rest. Otherwise the team will be in good condition and ready to give Rochester a hard struggle. However, Rochester is very dangerous, but if our team guards particularly against tricks, always a strong factor in the Rochester offense, we need not be unreasonably timorous.

COLGATE WINS CROSS COUNTRY.

The loss of the cross country run to Colgate last Saturday afternoon was largely compensated by the fact that Captain Eggleston of Hamilton won first place, beating Captain Carney of Colgate to the tape by about 50 yards in 30 minutes, 23 1-5 seconds, the course being approximately 5 1/2 miles. The final score was 17 to 11. The two teams were each made up of men and the first four men of each team were counted in order of finish as follows: First, seven points; second, six; third, five, etc. The order in which the men finished was as follows: Eggleston, H. Carney, C. Legler, C. Gould, C. Dayton, H. Bernstrom, C. Rowe, C. Keddy, H. Mattoon, H. Lee, the fifth Hamilton runner, was unable to finish. Having been ill for several days, he was in poor shape to run.

The run was started at 2:30 on the road running northward from Sigma Phi Hall and finished on Steuben Field in front of the grandstand. For the first mile of the course the runners were well grouped with Legler in the lead. As they struck the long up-grade on the back stretch, however, the runners began to stretch out and Carney took the lead, heading Eggleston at distances of from 15 to 60 yards. As the runners came into the main road leading down toward the College they were in three groups, the first being Carney, Legler and Eggleston, and the second Dayton, Gould and Bernstrom, while the third was composed of the other runners, except Lee, who had been compelled to drop out. Carney was still in the lead at this point and the race for first place began in earnest. Eggleston gradually pulled up on his opponent and near the former home of Prof. Ward passed Carney and beat him to the tape after a game finish, the other men finishing in the order above named.

The officials for the run were: Referee, Professor Lewis; Starter, Martin, '11; Clerk of Course, Batchelor, '13; Timer, Lyon, '13; Judges, Ingersoll, '13 and Bristol, '14; Inspectors, Crumb, Dieterlin, Hulbert, Ingersoll, Kimball, MacNair, Patton, Pohl and White, '15.

—Masse, '72, Mosher, '99, A. F. Osborn, '09, E. H. Jones, '11, Fawcett, '11, and S. W. Jones, '11, were on the Hill last week.

—Arrangements have been completed for a cross-country run between Hamilton 1915 and Schenectady High School. The meet will be held here October 28.

LOCAL DEPARTMENT

D. E. STONE, '13, Local Editor.

HILL NOTES.

—The Blue Books were distributed last week.

—Junior Promenade will be held February 4-7, 1912.

—The 1911 Catalog will appear in the next few days.

—Crumb, '05, and Churchill, '00, have been on the Hill recently.

—The French Club held its first meeting a week ago Friday evening.

—Watkins, '12, threw his shoulder out of joint last week in football practice.

—Blood, '14, during the past week has been confined to his room with tonsilitis.

—Edward Wright, '98, has been nominated State Supreme Court Judge of Mexico.

—L. G. Brown, '15, returned to College last Friday. His injured knee has improved considerably.

—Prof. Wood's Bible Study Class has decided to meet at 7 o'clock on Monday evenings at the D. U. house.

—R. U. Sherman, '05, and Paul Williams, '08, have been acting as assistant coaches of the football team.

—The first Glee Club practice was held last Wednesday evening. Trials for the Quartet are scheduled for this week. The final selection will be in the hands of Prof. Calthrop of Utica.

—At the meeting of the Sophomore Class, directly after noon chapel last Wednesday, a balance of \$24 from last year was reported by the treasurer. A tax of 50 cents was levied to defray the expenses of this term.

—"The Ideal College Man" was the subject of a speech given at the Utica Free Academy last Tuesday by R. W. Colson, '11. Colson graduated from U. F. A. in 1907. Academy students cheered for Hamilton and Colson.

—Dr. William A. Shanklin, '83, the president of Wesleyan College is canvassing this fall in an endeavor to raise \$1,000,000 for Wesleyan. The University of Vermont has recently honored Dr. Shanklin by presenting him with the degree of LL.D.

—Under the leadership of James Eells, '12, of Utica, the Mandolin Club begins its season. The following have been chosen: Guitars, Eells, '12, Blackmar, Griswold, Porter, '13; mandolins, Adams, '12, Barber, Gould, Heidner, True, '13, Blood, Burns, Callahan, Eddy, Felt, Flagg, Leavenworth, '12, Johnson, Mackay, and Ritch, '15.

SOPHOMORES WIN MEET.

By a comfortable margin of 21 points the Sophomores won the Fall Track Meet Thursday afternoon on Steuben Field. The Freshmen, while putting up a game fight, did not bring forth any star men. There is, however, some excellent material in the class and it is believed that competent coaching will result in the production of some good men.

The real feature of the afternoon was a series of spirited rows which resulted from the attempts of the Sophomores to walk unmolested about the track. Near the starting line the Freshmen put up a determined resistance with the result that a running scrap was continued about the track.

And if any one should ask you about it, there is no question but what you have to hand it to George Ogden for comedy. Not that Dr. Kilmer's Swamp Root has ever failed to work, but simply for the sake of variety, George had to have an alcohol rub. For the first time in the history of the College an undergraduate was seen to derive benefit from alcohol externally applied. For all that George worked like a twin cylinder every minute and only a spirit of generosity toward "Weave" kept him out of the pole vault.

Capt. Dayton, Ogden, Robinson and Leaveaworth starred for the Sophomores, while Capt. Lee, Higbee, Potter and Ingersoll were the principal point-gainers for 1915.

The summaries follow:

100-yd. dash—Robinson, '14, 1st; Ogden, '14, 2nd; Higbee, '15, 3rd. Time, 11 1-5 seconds.

Mile run—Dayton, '14, 1st; Ingersoll, '15, 2nd; Mattoon, '14, 3rd. Time, 5 minutes, 26 1-5 seconds.

High jump—Leavenworth, '14, 1st; Clark, '15, 2nd; Royce, '14, and Glover, '15, tied for 3rd. Height, 4 ft., 11 inches.

440-yd. dash—Ogden, '14, 1st; McGovern, '15, 2nd; Bristol, '14, 3rd. Time, 60 1-5 seconds.

220-yd. dash—Lee, '14, 1st; Higbee, '15, 2nd; Miller, '15, 3rd. Time, 26 1-5 seconds.

Broad jump—Lee, '15, 1st; Clark, '15, and White, '15, tied for 2nd. Distance, 16 feet 10 inches.

Hammer throw—Abernathy, '14, 1st; Potter, '15, 2nd; McLean, '14, 3rd. Distance, 74 feet 5 inches.

Shot put—Potter, '15, 1st; McLean, '14, 2nd; Abernathy, '14, 3rd. Distance, 31 feet, 1 inch.

Pole vault—Weaver, '14, 1st; Cruthers, '15, 2nd; Glover, '15, 3rd. Height, 7 feet.

Half-mile run—Dayton, '14, 1st; Lee, '15, 2nd; Ingersoll, '15, 3rd. Time, 2 minutes, 27 1-5 seconds.

First place scored five points, second three and third one. Sophomores 55½, Freshmen 34½.

THE CHESS CLUB.

The Chess Club has been reorganized for this season with these officers: President, C. S. Adams, '12, Clinton; Secretary, C. H. Dayton, '14, Auburn; Treasurer, W. J. DuBourdieu, '12, Ilion. Frank Watson of Clinton, who is recognized as one of the three best chess players in Oneida County, will select the team. Matches will be arranged, if possible, with Syracuse, Cornell, Rochester, Union, Colgate, R. P. I., St. Lawrence, and Hobart. Any new man, expert or beginner, will be welcomed into the membership of the Club. Report to Adams, '12. The present members follow: Prof. H. S. Brown, Adams, DuBourdieu, Grant, Plant, '12; Blackmar, Clapp, Clark, Griswold, '13; Callahan, Dayton, Walker, '14. Wednesday evening, October 18, the first meeting will be held at Adams' home, 71 College Street.

—Mr. and Mrs. Francis A. Cody left Tuesday for Ripon, Wis., to attend the wedding of their son, James Cary Cody and Miss Nellie Cody, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Cody. The ceremony took place Thursday at 6 o'clock at St. Peter's Episcopal Church. The groom is the only son of Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Cody. He is a graduate of the class of 1908. At present he holds a responsible position with the Utica Trust and Deposit Company. They will reside at 51 Watson place, Utica.

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ings now standing. The new building will stand on a line with Alpha Delta Phi Hall and Sigma Phi Hall, just north of the former, and facing the quadrangle. It will be two stories and a half high, built of stone and roofed with tile, the style of architecture being colonial.

Those present at the meeting of the Trustees were Senator Root, Geo. E. Dunham, Hamilton B. Tompkins, Pres. M. W. Stryker, Alexander C. Soper, Charles B. Rogers, Samuel F. Engs, Vice-President James S. Sherman, Samuel Adams, Senator Frederick W. Griffith, Hon. Abel E. Blackmar, Rev. Robert G. McGregor, R. L. Maynard, Samuel D. Miller, Joseph Rudd and Rev. L. G. Colson.

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ly enough to carry the ball any considerable distance even with forward passes which are too dangerous to use near the goal-line, and Hobart's offense was not so alarming that we should dread giving them the ball deep in their own territory; so that, had we decided to open up the game, it would have been better strategy to risk getting possession of the ball nearer Hobart's goal than our own twenty-five yard line.

Hobart kicked to LaForce who fumbled. It was a kaleidoscopic change, for instead of Fear squatting over the ball as was expected, it was McCain and was Hobart's ball with a touch-down but thirty yards away. This unexpected good luck for Hobart cheered their players and correspondingly disheartened ours—it was Sweetland who said, "There is just so much confidence on a football field; what one team gains in spirits, the other loses." A couple of quarterback runs, some fast, hard line-plunging by Barker, Wood and Barrimore and then Bayliss, with two yards to go, wriggled just two yards and two inches. Barrimore kicked the goal.

For the remainder of the quarter the ball was in Hamilton's territory.

Hobart started the final quarter by line plunging but was forced to punt. An interchange of punts followed. Then Hamilton braced up its offense; from their own fifty-yard line, Knox, Robinson, and Stone advanced the ball to Hobart's forty-five yard line, whence Wenigmann, on a delayed end around play, carried the ball to the twelve yard line, being stopped by the sole defender, Wood. Line plays yielded little and Knox signalled a forward pass to Root. The pass was a trifle high and Root fumbled the ball but recovered it on the three yard line—a yard short of the distance to be gained to make first down. Permit a little supposing: Had Root caught the ball and merely fallen over, the ball would have been across the line—so near did we come. Bayliss punted out of danger and, playing safe, punted whenever Hobart again secured the ball.

The whistle blew with the ball in Hobart's possession on her own forty-five yard line, and so ended an exceedingly interesting and bitterly contested game.

Do you want some comment and criticism?

Hobart had a fine team—weighty, strong, active and well-drilled. Their line played low and charged fiercely both on offense and defense. Some

said it was a one-man team; entirely wrong, for, while Bayliss is a wonderful player, his companion backs demonstrated far more than ordinary worth by their low, hard running, and he would have gained nothing but for his line.

Hobart's line outplayed ours, not, as many thought, by playing low, but by getting the jump on their opponents. Their defensive formation with tackles and ends close, being entirely strange to our players, bothered our offense considerably. The line opened holes and the backs took advantage of these openings.

The Hamilton line improved considerably in its offensive play, much more so than the gains indicated, for our backs, McLean in particular, did not run hard and low enough to take advantage of the holes. On the defensive our line improved as the game went on.

Hamilton handled the ball better than Hobart, but was unlucky in that its fumbles were costly, while Hobart's were not. Our backs, however, allowed Bayliss to kick over their heads three times.

Our ends do not meet plays soon enough so that, by letting the interference get in full stride, they are easily picked off. Nor do the ends play safe enough; Leavenworth, however, improved during the game and stopped Bayliss time after time.

Captain Knox, at quarter, used excellent judgment. He made one great mistake in playing a forward pass on our ten yard line against strict orders, and he made another in not interfering for Root on the fake placement kick. He might have used Robinson more in bucking the line. His punting was very good, having both fair distance and height and being well placed. Peter's kicks were too low for the ends and line to cover.

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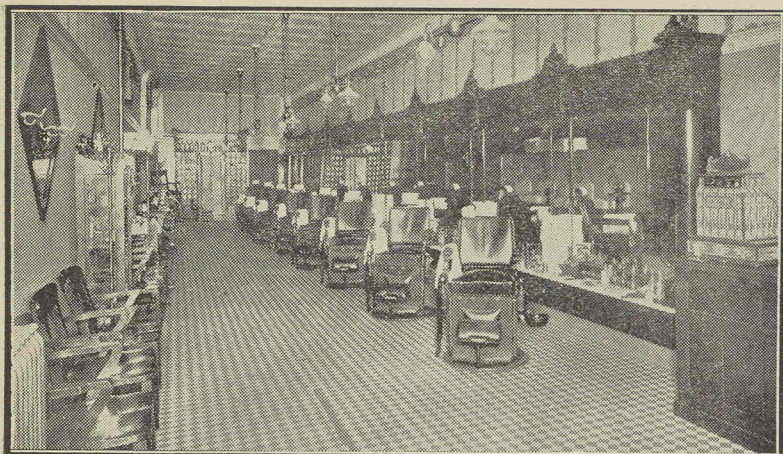
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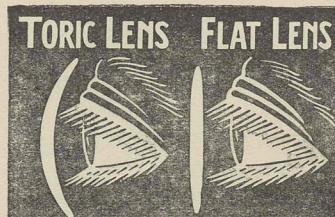
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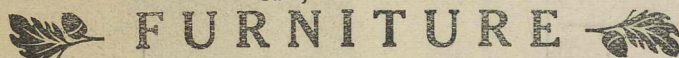
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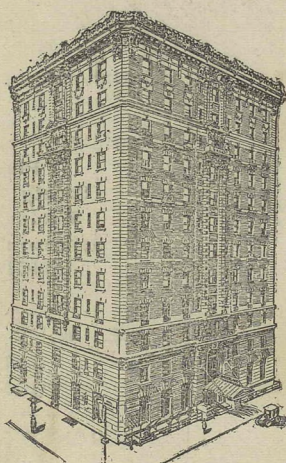
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